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1. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION ABOUT MITSUBISHI PLANS TO ESTABLISH INTEGRATED ALUMINUM SMELTER IN JAMAICA. VICE CHAIRMAN FATTOREI OF JAMAICAN PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT WAS IN TOKYO WEEK OF JULY 5 SEEKING JAPANESE INVESTMENT IN, AMONG OTHERS, THE ALUMINUM INDUSTRY, BUT NO SPECIFIC PLANS ANNOUNCED.

2. JAPANESE ALUMINUM INDUSTRY EXPECTED TO SUFFER FROM EXCESS SUPPLY AT LEAST UNTIL 1975. ACCORDING TO JAPAN INDUSTRIAL BANK, TOTAL CAPACITY OF SMELTERS PRESENTLY 1,178,000 TONS AND DEMAND FOR PRIMARY ALUMINUM INGOTS IS 1,022,000 TONS WITH NO SHARP INCREASE IN DEMAND EXPECTED SINCE PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION NOW AT HIGH LEVEL. DOMESTIC PRODUCTION COSTS ARE FOUR TO FIVE CENTS HIGHER PER POUND AS COMPARED TO NON-JAPANESE COMPETITORS; THIS CAUSED BY YEN REVALUATION, HIGH POWER RATES AND HIGH PRODUCTION COST OF ALUMINA. TO OFFSET THIS TREND, JAPANESE INDUSTRY IS EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES OF ESTABLISHING OVERSEAS

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SMELTERS AND CLOSER AFFILIATION WITH ALUMINUM PROCESSORS.

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